dangerously sick, otherwhile that it was to show to some that are absent that others can be followed as well as they, and, that if occasion be, military services can be as well and readily ordered and directed as if they were present, with many other as vain and fnvolous imaginations

IRISH NEWS

The Earl of Essex hath made many new knights, English and Irish, to the number of 59 in the whole since his first arrival It is much marvelled that this humour should so possess him, that not content with his first dozens and scores, he should thus fall to huddle them up by half hundreds , and it is noted as a strange thing that a subject in the space of seven or eight years (not having been six months together in any one action) should upon so little service and small desert make more knights than are in all the realm besides ; and it is doubted that if he continue this course he will shortly bring in tag and rag, cut and long tad, and so draw the order in contempt

25*tb August* THE FORCES TO BE MUSTERED AGAIN

Late this night news is come that the Spanish fleet is discovered upon the coast of France, wherefore the Lord Mayor is commanded again to put in readiness all the armed force of the City, and for the defence of the river to have such vessels as are in the Thames ready to impeach the coming up of the galleys Moreover he is bidden to proceed with all expedition and without such disputation and backwardness as hath been used heretofore Posts are now being despatched to recall the horsemen to London with all speed possible

-2.6th August. THE MUSTERS

Before six of the clock this morning (being Sunday) the 3,000

soldiers trained by the citizens were all in armour in the streets, attending on their captains till past seven , at which time being thoroughly wet by a great shower of rain they are sent home again for the day.

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This morning 30,000 citizens, householders and subsidy men, showed themselves at the Mile's End, where they have trained all day, and are commanded to continue so daily